

UMW Budget Rises 35 Percent

By KAY BOATNER
Staff Writer

The state of Virginia appropriated over \$22 million to the University of Mary Washington's budget this year. That appropriation was a 35 percent increase over last year's amount, and the largest percentage increase received in the state of Virginia.

Rick Pearce, associate vice president for business and finance, commented on the increase.

"It was the perfect storm...all these elements just came together at once for us, in terms of the budget," Pearce said.

The University's current budget is \$80,135,643. A portion of the funds that the University has in its budget is from tuition money; the remaining amount is received from state appropriations.

"In terms of numbers, almost all Virginia schools' enrollment and graduation figures went up," Pearce said. "Therefore, most schools saw an increase in budget, but ours just happened to be one of the largest."

The majority of the funds will be used to

help provide the new graduate center in Stafford with a full-time staff.

Of the money in the new budget, \$47,711,877 has been designated to be used for educational purposes and \$19, 878,863 is set aside for auxiliary services, or put on reserve for miscellaneous purposes.

The remaining \$12,544,903 is used to cover a comprehensive fee, which is a source of income from the students to the school.

In his State of the University speech this past August, University President William Frawley commented on the excellent state of the budget.

"Financially, UMW is solid...we are in a position to advance significantly," he said.

Not only is Mary Washington trying to increase staff numbers at their new location, they are attempting to build up their staff on the main Fredericksburg campus as well.

Some of the appropriation money will therefore be used to help Mary Washington reach its new desired student to faculty ratio.

"The plan, which is referred to as the 15-1 ratio, is to reduce the rate of students to faculty by that amount," Pearce said.

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Fresh Faces Join Faculty

By ELIZABETH PHELPS
Staff Writer

When Jacqueline Gallagher, assistant professor of geography, started her first day at the University of Mary Washington, she was surprised by the behavior of her new students.

"I've been telling people: the students are so polite," she said. "They're all sitting quietly and taking notes and behaving themselves. Everybody gets here on time, nobody's leaving early. I'm jaded, I've been at [Florida Atlantic University] for a long time, but that's my main shock."

Gallagher is one of 32 newly appointed full-time faculty who joined the University this year.

According to Rosemary Barra, interim vice president of academic affairs and faculty dean, some of the new members of the faculty are coming in as replacements for other professors away on sabbaticals or on other leaves of absence.

"They're not all going to be here forever," Barra said.

Other new faculty members were hired as a part of the 15:1 plan, where to every one professor, there are 15 students.

"This year some of the new hires were the result of that effort to have additional faculty in every area so we

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Unleashing the Fury

Sophomore Alison Weckstein berates York College's goalie in the Sept. 9 game. UMW won 1-0 in overtime.

Eagles Nest Manager Mourned By Campus

By ELIZABETH NOWROUZ
News Editor

Three weeks after the death of Adam Mackensen, the director of retail with Sodexo Campus Service and manager of the Eagles Nest, the University of Mary Washington community is paying tribute to a hard worker and a great friend.

Adam Robert Mackensen was killed in a motorcycle accident in Fredericksburg, Va on August 18. He was 25 years old.

Friends and co-workers remember him as someone who would lighten the mood of a sometimes-tedious job.

"We got to know each other when we were really low on staff members," said senior Katie Malone, a supervisor at the Eagles Nest who helped Mackensen get to know UMW when he first arrived. "We would sit there and scrub pans until two in the morning. If there was anyone who made it bearable, it was him. He was like a brother."

Senior Aliea Pastore has been working at the Eagles Nest since her freshman year and knew Mackensen well.

"He was always happy, always ready to work and have fun," she said. "He made working here worth it."



Photo Courtesy of Kori Koenig

Adam Mackensen, 25, was killed in a motorcycle accident on Aug. 18

Mackensen came to UMW in January of 2005 and immediately assumed the role of leader.

"He wanted to please everyone," said Kori Koenig, who is the manager of the Eagles' Nest. "He got to be friends with so many students, and all of the staff. If there was ever

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Technology Budget On Hold For Faculty

By WILL COPPS
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Wireless Internet will be popping up across campus, and may be coming to residence halls by next year, but there is a catch. Its usefulness will be limited to students if faculty is not able to put up critical course information in a timely manner.

Such is the situation when University funding towards advancements like the wireless networks cut into the funding this year to replace some of the present faculty equipment.

The funding for replacing aging or broken equipment for faculty and staff at the University of Mary Washington has been cut approximately 32 percent in the last two years to help fund projects like these wireless networks, putting replacement of computers for teachers off until next semester.

The Information Technologies office uses a budget of almost \$1 million a year to keep the computers up to date. However, last year then President William Anderson set aside \$450,000 of the budget for the implementation of the wireless networks, cutting into replacement funding.

"I'm eager for December," said English Professor Marie McAllister. "I have a very old office computer—too old to use a modern flash drive, which makes it much harder for me to use

many of the technology tools I like."

Faced with waiting until next semester for replacements of their office computers, faculty like McAllister are the ones who are suffering the brunt of the budget cuts.

"To the best of our ability, the information technologies organization tried to shield faculty and students from this [budget] decrease by deferring the purchase of needed infrastructure equipment and extending the life-span of non-academic equipment," said Chip German, vice president for information resources.

The decrease, similar to the one of last year, has concerned various people around the campus.

"Class time is so valuable already, it is a shame when any equipment fails," said Junior Kirsty Shugrue, whose advanced statistics course in Chandler Hall was moved to another room for two class days due to a projector failure.

German clarified that the budget does not affect projectors as much as it does the individual computers for faculty.

"I let the University's faculty and staff know that we would have to 'freeze' the regular replacement of desktop computing equipment that is assigned to individual employees at least through the first semester," he said.

That way, the University can be sure it will be able to replace its highest-priority technology in

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5 Day Forecast



TODAY
Rain

High: 73
Low: 62



FRIDAY
Partly Cloudy

High: 82
Low: 64



SATURDAY
Partly Cloudy

High: 83
Low: 62



SUNDAY
Partly Cloudy

High: 86
Low: 63



MONDAY
Sunny

High: 84
Low: 65

Verbatim...

"Also, in high school, I would take a poop with my helmet on."

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Police Beat

By STEPHANIE TAIT
Editor in Chief



Sept. 5—Police received a report that, between 9:30 p.m. and 8:27 a.m., someone had broken out the door locks of three vehicles while they were parked in the UMW Apartments parking lot. Stereos, valued at \$125 collectively, were stolen from two of the vehicles. Police estimate lock damages at \$300. There are no suspects or witnesses and the case is under investigation.

Sept. 7—At 10:52 p.m., police received a report from a resident assistant in Mason Hall that an 18-year-old male resident of Mason Hall was extremely intoxicated. According to police, the student said he had been drinking bourbon earlier in the evening and was unaware as to how much alcohol he had consumed. The student was sick and therefore transported to Mary Washington Hospital by the Fredericksburg Rescue Squad. Police referred the student to residence life.

Sept. 8—At 2 a.m., police received a report from a 20-year-old female resident of Westmoreland Hall that she was assaulted while walking back to campus from the Battlegrounds, where the student parked her car. According to police, a male approached the victim and asked her where she was going. When the student refused to answer, the suspect reached out and grabbed the front of her shirt. The student then slapped his hand away and ran to her residence hall. The student provided police with a description of the suspect, but they were unable to locate him in the area.

Sept. 8—At 2:34 a.m., an officer on duty discovered a male asleep on the sidewalk at the corner of William Street and Sunken Road. According to police, Benjamin Brewer, a 25-year-old male resident of Fredericksburg, was wanted in Spotsylvania County for maiming, a felony offense. Police transferred custody of Brewer to Spotsylvania County Police.

Sept. 8—At 9:25 p.m., a student reported to police that someone had knocked down the lamp post on the south side of Seabrook Hall. Police arrived and discovered that the bolts which secure the lamp post to the ground were rusted through and that the incident was an apparent

accident. Police had an electrician disable the electricity at the scene and facilities services replaced the lamp post.

Sept. 10—At 2:02 a.m., an officer on duty discovered a male asleep on the sidewalk at the corner of Sunken Road and William Street. According to police, the officer saw a group of students looking at the man as they walked past and went to investigate. Joshua Cressman, a 23-year-old male of Fredericksburg, was verbally abusive when the officer woke him and was visibly intoxicated. Police arrested Cressman for being drunk in public.

Sept. 10—Police received a report that, between 1:30 a.m. and 9:40 a.m., someone stole a rocking chair, valued at \$120, from the front porch of Mason Hall. There are no suspects or witnesses and the case is under investigation.

Sept. 10—Police received a report that, between 1:30 a.m. and 9:40 a.m., someone vandalized the front steps, columns and third floor hallway of Mason Hall. According to police, someone had drawn obscene figures with a permanent marker. Police estimate the damages at \$100.

Sept. 10—At 2:30 a.m., police received a report that someone had thrown an unopened can of beer through the front windows of Trinkle Hall. There are no suspects or witnesses and the case is under investigation.

Sept. 10—At 3:38 a.m., an officer observed two 20-year-old male residents of Marshall Hall bend and break a "Do Not Enter" sign around the bell tower construction. Police estimate damages at \$40.

Sept. 11—Police received a report that someone had broken two panes of glass, valued at \$325, in the lobby of Bushnell Hall. According to police, a guest of one of the students said he accidentally broke the glass when he swung his back pack behind him. The student paid for the damages in full.

News Shorts

NATION

Washington, DC: According to Department of Homeland Security Secretary Michael Chertoff, Congress and the American people must accept that all targets cannot be protected. If we do not accept this, says Chertoff, Osama bin Laden will succeed in "bankrupting the nation."
—mytimes.com

Washington, DC: A new study by the Institute of Medicine said that by the end of the decade one in five children will be obese. The study also said that we lack the programs to combat this or reverse it.
—cm.com

President Bush said on Tuesday that he senses a "Third Awakening" of religious devotion in the U.S. This awakening has concurred with the War on Terror, which Bush describes as "a confrontation between good and evil."
—washingtonpost.com

WORLD

Baghdad, Iraq: Nearly 100 bodies were found Wednesday scattered throughout the city after a wave of violence. Many of the bodies displayed signs of torture, and were found throughout a day riddled by car bombings and mortar shells.
—washingtonpost.com

Montreal, Quebec: A shooting spree at Dawson College on Wednesday ended when police killed a gunman who had wounded at least 19 people, many of whom are in critical condition.
—cm.com

Paris, France: NATO commanders are asking as many as 2,500 more soldiers in addition to aircrafts for its role in Afghanistan. Leaders were surprised by the resolve in the resurgent Taliban militia, but were optimistic that the additional forces would quell the violence.
—washingtonpost.com

WEIRD

Cheshire, Oregon: A woman shot her husband in the back after he killed her pet chicken, authorities say. While certain that the wife meant to shoot the husband, authorities aren't clear on whether the husband meant to shoot the chicken.
—AP

Fountain Valley, California: Workers at a gourmet chocolate company discovered a two-inch tall collection of drippings said to bear a striking resemblance to the Virgin Mary. Cruz Jacinto, an employee who was questioning God, has found renewed faith in the experience.
—AP

Chicago, Illinois: A 29-year-old man was found to have a penis pump in his luggage by airport security. Fearing his mother, who was accompanying him, would find out, he told security the device was a bomb. The man could face up to three years in prison for the offense.
—AP

University Funds Increased

The new 15-1 ratio will be used to attract student applicants interested in the small classroom environments which the University is known for providing. Marie McAllister, an associate professor at the University, is on board with this plan.

"We're understaffed right now, so additional staff would certainly help, so long as we maintain the small settings we have," McAllister said.

Some of the money that is not being used to increase faculty numbers has yet to be put to use.

Contrary to popular belief, none of the newly appropriated money is being used to fund the numerous construction projects that the University has in progress, which are being paid for by private donations and bonds.

"None of it is being put to use in the ongoing construction projects; those are all being funded by other means," Pearce said. "This money is being put to use to serve instructional purposes."

Many students were surprised to learn this. "I would have assumed some of the money would be going to construction, since I've seen a lot of construction happening on campus," said junior Stephanie Sims.

Despite some confusion, initial student reaction to the budget increase has been positive.

"It's a good thing we got all that money, so long as it's used in a manner that is beneficial to the students," said junior Sarah Axelson.

Pearce attributed the significant increase in appropriation to a number of different factors.

"Many things just worked together

cohesively to help us get this money," he said.

One of the key factors involved in acquiring the money was an addition of the new graduate center at the Stafford campus. "We build a new building, they give us new money to build it," Pearce said.

Getting the money wasn't simple, however. "We did have to prove to the state that we could increase our enrollment," Pearce said. "You have to prove you deserve the money, and we proved it."

Besides showing the state that the University could increase its numbers, Pearce explained that some of the credit for securing the extra money goes to Rick Hurley, vice president for administration and finance.

"I want to give a plug to my boss," Pearce said. "He did a lot of work lobbying down in Richmond for the money; we wouldn't have received as much without him."

A modest Hurley extends credit elsewhere.

"The University made a compelling case for the special needs it has," Hurley said.

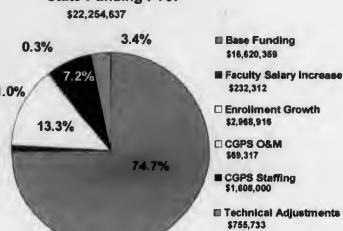
Pearce also attributed credit to the current Mary Washington faculty.

"Initially, we had to staff the new center with people from this campus before we had the money we needed to hire new faculty," he said.

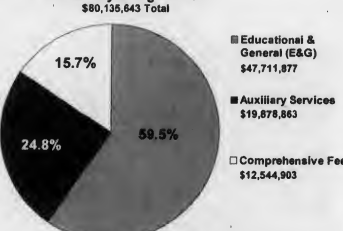
As for what the newly appointed President Frawley has in store for the remaining money, Pearce said it could be anything.

"I'm sure he has new plans for the money that we haven't heard yet," Pearce said. "There's a lot he can do with it."

State Funding FY07



University Budget FY07



Charts are supplements from President Frawley's State of the University Address.

UMW Welcomes 32 New Professors

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could offer more sections of courses where they were needed, to have more flexibility in the schedule for students to prepare their course schedules, for those types of reasons," Barra said. "But that's only part of the new hires."

Gallagher is one of the professors hired for this effort. Her position in the geography department is new this year. Along with teaching introductory courses and courses that have been offered in the past, she is also working on introducing new courses to the curriculum.

"I developed at my previous school a mobile mapping class," she said. "Where you go outside with a hand-held computer and you use a satellite image and a global positioning unit to see where you're moving while you're doing it, but you can also see your dot moving on the map, which is really, really cool."

She anticipates offering the class in about two years.

"That technology part is very, very new," Gallagher said. "We're going to start buying

the equipment and testing it. It's very exciting."

Originally from England, Gallagher has found Fredericksburg to be quite different from anywhere she had previously attended or taught.

"It's a culture shock," she said. "I'm English...I went to large, public universities and I was teaching at a large public university. The student body is so much smaller here, people are in residence—I've never been in that kind of environment—so when everybody started arriving, I said, 'Wait, this is what it's going to be like?' All of the sudden, all of these people."

Gallagher is the only new member hired for

her department. The department of English, linguistics, and speech had the most hires at five new faculty members and the hires were spread over 15 departments.

Although a number of the faculty hires for the 2006-2007 school year are the result of the 15:1 plan, as were many of the 22 new faculty hired last year, there will not be any more hires for the plan until it can be reviewed.

"Basically what has been done is, Dr. Frawley, as he's come in, has asked us to hold off on doing any more of the 15:1 hires for this year," Barra said. "We're going to reevaluate the criteria."

According to memo written by Barra and sent to the faculty and staff this summer, she hopes to have the criteria ready for next year. This includes looking at where there are

needs, where new faculty is needed, and evaluating whether there are new directions the University should be taking.

"[Frawley] wants us to step back for a moment and to look at the programs that we have and see what opportunities are out there before we hire new faculty," Barra said.

Deborah Zies, associate professor of biology, was not hired as part of the 15:1 program, but as a replacement for Barra in her specialized field of cancer biology.

Unlike some of the new faculty hires coming as a replacement, Zies has been permanently hired and is on a tenure-track.

Coming from the University of Florida, Zies is enjoying her time at UMW thus far.

"So far, so good," she said. "It's only been a couple of weeks since I've had students, but I have both freshmen and senior-level students and they all seem very bright, very willing to learn, and I'm excited about the next year."

"There are wonderful new [members of faculty] that we have hired," she said. "They're adding to the faculty that we have here and it's an exciting year."

"I think we have quite a crew... they're livening up the place"

—Rosemary Barra

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Editorial Useless Protest

Congratulations, Generation Y, you've truly outdone yourselves.

You've taken up the gauntlet of protest thrown down by our predecessors, Generation X, and run with it.

But wait...did you protest for world peace or for an end to genocide?

No. You didn't.

In true idiocratic fashion, you've decided to protest against something so simple and trivial that it pains the eye to see it compared with revolutionary protests of the past.

We, Generation Y, have launched a rebellion against Facebook.

That's right, we've decided to answer the call of duty and to speak out against a Web sit that tells you what Timmy had to eat today and the exact minute Betty became single.

In less than a week after the Facebook changes "rocked" campus, almost 750,000 people spoke out.

Again, that's three-quarters of a million people banding together to make a difference in the Facebook world.

That's roughly the population of Bahrain or the number of people who died of AIDS in southern Africa in 2005.

If people put as much effort into protesting against things that *actually matter*, this world would be a vastly better place.

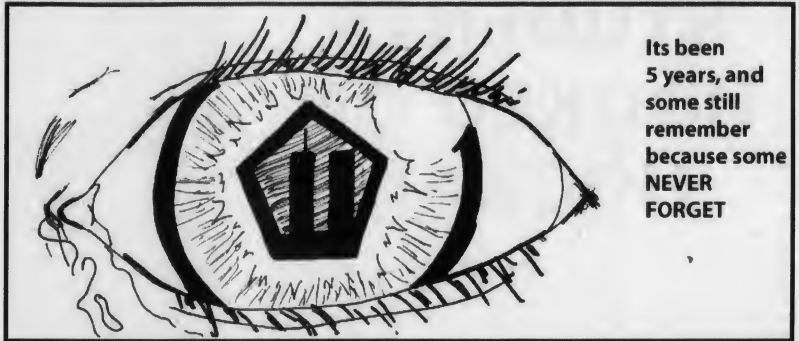
What about the rise of dictators in the former Soviet Republic, or the insane number of human rights violations happening globally.

But you know what, you're right. Facebook is most important thing to protest against.

As many a grandmother has been known to say, you should be ashamed of yourselves.

Remembering 9/11

By Austin Cobb



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Its been
5 years, and
some still
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because some
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Stay The Course

College Republicans President Praises Republican Leaders

By **ANDREW T. LAMAR**
Guest Columnist

Any politician who claims that the War in Iraq is a "diversion from the War on Terror" could not be more wrong.

Osama Bin Laden said in December 2004, "the most important and serious issue today for the whole world is this Third World War... in Baghdad." He and his followers have made Iraq the central battlefield for the global War on Terror.

It is no secret that terrorists in Iraq have traveled from other countries to wage this war on freedom and democracy. Bin Laden calls it a "war of destiny between infidelity and Islam." He wants Baghdad to be the capital of a modern caliphate, where Ayman al-Zawahiri says they will "establish an Islamic authority... to extend the jihad wave to the secular countries neighboring Iraq."

Democrats want people to believe that we can simply withdraw from Iraq, but their egregious and irresponsible cut-and-run strategy ignores the self-described goals of the world's most evil men. Our success in the War on Terror and protecting the American people absolutely requires that we stay on the offense by defeating the terrorists in Iraq.

In the eyes of the terrorists, the War in Iraq is not a distraction. It is the ultimate battle for the establishment of a modern tyrannical Muslim extremist empire.

This is not an issue of whether it was right or wrong to bring justice to Saddam Hussein in 2003—which Democrats and Republicans agreed to do. It is a decision of where we go

from here. We must succeed in defeating the terrorists, and we must not abandon the Iraqi people.

The terrorists around the world have made their objectives clear. As the world can recall from the bombing of the World Trade Centers in 1993, the bombing of U.S. Embassies in 1998, the attack on the USS Cole in 2000, the killing of 3,000 innocent civilians on September 11 (five years ago this week) and bombings in London, Madrid and India, these threats are not new to us, nor are they limited to the United States.

The Al-Qaeda Charter explains that "there will be continuing enmity until everyone believes in Allah."

Last week, during his series of speeches regarding the War on Terror, President Bush explained how the world ignored Lenin when he spoke of his soon-to-come communist revolution in Russia. We also ignored Adolf Hitler's writings of his plan to rise to power in Germany and his evil plans for the rest of the world. Like the terrorist enemies we face today, both were tyrannical ideologues whose regimes murdered millions of people. We must learn from our history in dealing with threatening radical ideologues.

Republicans, unlike Democrats, are absolutely correct in assessing the urgency of dealing with these threats. Last week President Bush declared "we are taking the words of the enemy seriously. We are on the offensive. We will not rest, we will not retreat, and we will not withdraw from the fight until this threat to civilization has been removed." We must remain strongly committed to defeating this

global threat to freedom.

Unfortunately, for a chance to sell a warm and fuzzy feel-good policy today, Democrats are risking the security and freedom for our generation of tomorrow.

Our generation recognizes that defeating the terrorists in Iraq today is a vital step towards securing our future. Democrats choose to ignore the lessons of history and ignore the threatening ideologues, even when the terrorists make their objectives clear.

Democrats have fought to deny America the tools we need to protect us from terrorist attacks. They cheered when they blocked the Patriot Act, and they want to end the National Security Agencies program that allows us to intercept international phone calls between terrorists.

Intelligence officials tell us that such programs have been key to preventing attacks since September 11, like the recent attempt to blow up 10 jetliners bound for the United States.

Fortunately, our Republican leaders recognize the lessons of history and will remain committed to defeating the terrorists in Iraq, so that we don't have to face them here at home.

It is our Republican leaders in Congress who have fought hard to provide the tools we need to prevent attacks on our own soil. For the future of our nation and the world, Americans should cast their vote for such strong and determined leaders.

Here in Virginia, that man is George Allen.

Andrew T. Lamar is a senior and is the President of the College Republicans.

Immigrants Deserve Equality

Relating Her Family's Personal Story, Senior Demands Respect For Immigrants In The U.S.

By **MARIA GARCIA**
Guest Columnist

As a young girl, I had a mostly normal childhood, except for when the time came to make the annual Garcia family road trip to Mexico in December each year to visit the family. While most of you will see nothing abnormal about this, there was one thing that

stuck out in my mind. Why couldn't my dad cross over the bridge like everyone else?

The trip would end normally, with the goodbyes, the last minute buying of things we could not get in the U.S., packing our clothes and the new memories created.

But once we hit the border town of Piedras Negras in Coahuila, Mexico my dad would say goodbye to us, his wife and children, only to

reappear on the U.S. side a few days later.

To me, this was some absurd tradition that I never understood (at least not until I was older) and was just happy that my beloved father was back with us.

Once I got older, I finally asked my parents the reason for this yearly ordeal. It turns out that my parents had both migrated illegally into the U.S. and once here had begun the process to

legalize their documents.

My mom quickly received her legal residency, but my dad was put on a wait list and given a work permit—so he could be in the U.S. and work legally but he could not leave and legally come back into the U.S. For him this was too much, he had aging parents and nothing would keep him from seeing them and the rest

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Features



UNIVERSITY STUDENTS HOOKED ON HOOKAH

By KENDALL ADLER
Staff Writer

On a Thursday around 8 p.m., my friends and I were transported into a microcosmic Mediterranean world. There was a variety of artwork hanging throughout the rooms, a wide selection of tables to choose from, including low tables that sat no further than ten inches off the floor, and chandeliers that hung above the red carpet, giving the restaurant a classy feeling to it.

It felt like we had entered

a new world, but we were still in Fredericksburg. We had just entered Aladin Mediterranean Restaurant and Hookah Bar, which opened off of Route 3 in mid-August.

Before continuing, I feel that it is my obligation to readers out there to define "hookah." Webster's Dictionary explains that it is "a tobacco pipe of Near Eastern origin with a long, flexible tube by which the smoke is drawn through a jar of water and thus cooled."

I simply mention the scene in Alice in Wonderland where the caterpillar is smoking from a strange pipe and people's eyes immediately light up with recognition. Whatever description works best, the point of withdrawing smoke from a hookah is not only

for its calming effects but also the delicious aftertaste upon exhalation.

My friends and I heard a buzz of excitement about Aladin before even walking through its doors. Many freshmen commented on the convenient location for those students at Mary Washington who do not have the luxury of an easy mode of transportation.

After trying coffee, hummus, and the cantaloupe flavored hookah, I spoke with Aladin's owner, Yasser Bishai.

Along with the hookah bar, Bishai also wants his

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restaurant to have a belly dancer and a band that would play Mediterranean music. He has also registered for a liquor license for the restaurant.

With all of Bishai's plans, one question remains – what about Nader's Middle Eastern Cafe and hookah bar down the road?

"It is good to have competition," Bishai said. "That is why everyone is trying to do his best."

After a delicious snack and a strong buzz from both the Arabic coffee and the hookah, my friends and I drove off with anticipation for the next evening when we would be visiting Nader's Middle Eastern Cafe.

Before visiting Nader's on Friday night I decided to stop at Aladin again around 8:15 p.m. to see if business had picked up on a



Daniel Cec/Bullet

Jerry Abdeldayen of Stafford County unwinds by smoking a hookah at Aladin Mediterranean Restaurant and Hookah Bar off of Route 3.

weekend night. Although the number of customers had almost doubled, the restaurant still seemed a little quiet.

Bishai said that most customers come in around 10 p.m. I saw a large table filled with UMW students and asked them about their opinions on the two hookah restaurants.

"I love bringing my friends here," freshman Emile Begin said. "It's a nice, inexpensive hangout for us college students. I've heard of Nader's but it's always crowded there, and we

heard this place just opened so we decided to try it."

After about a fifteen minute drive down Route 3 we arrived at Nader's. The difference in the two restaurants is dramatic. My friends and I managed to get the last available table in the entire restaurant. We had arrived just in time for the belly dancer to appear at 8:40 p.m. The

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Pair of Professors Presents Pottery

By MEGAN GRIGORIAN
Staff Writer

The opening of the Nickel & Detwiler 25 Year Retrospective exhibit in Dupont Gallery brought crowds of students, faculty, and Fredericksburg residents to view the collaborative pieces of husband and wife, Lorene Nickel and Joseph Detwiler.

The pieces bookmark stylistic time periods of the artists thus far in their career.

The exhibit, which opened on Thursday, Sept. 7, marked the twenty-fifth anniversary of Nickel and Detwiler's career at the University of Mary Washington. Both professors teach in the art department and are professionally active in creating new pieces.

The work especially appealed to students of Detwiler and Nickel, who enjoyed seeing the outcome of what they are taught in class.

"I took a class with Professor Nickel and it's so interesting to see her real artwork that is created outside of the classroom," senior Maureen Murphy said.

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Before continuing, I feel that it is my obligation to readers out there to define "hookah." Webster's Dictionary explains that it is "a tobacco pipe of Near Eastern origin with a long, flexible tube by which the smoke is drawn through a jar of water and thus cooled."

I simply mention the scene in Alice in Wonderland where the caterpillar is smoking from a strange pipe and people's eyes immediately light up with recognition. Whatever description works best, the point of withdrawing smoke from a hookah is not only

for its calming effects but also the delicious aftertaste upon exhalation.

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Along with the hookah bar, Bishai also wants his

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restaurant to have a belly dancer and a band that would play Mediterranean music. He has also registered for a liquor license for the restaurant.

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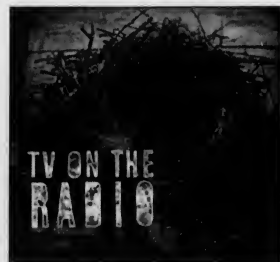


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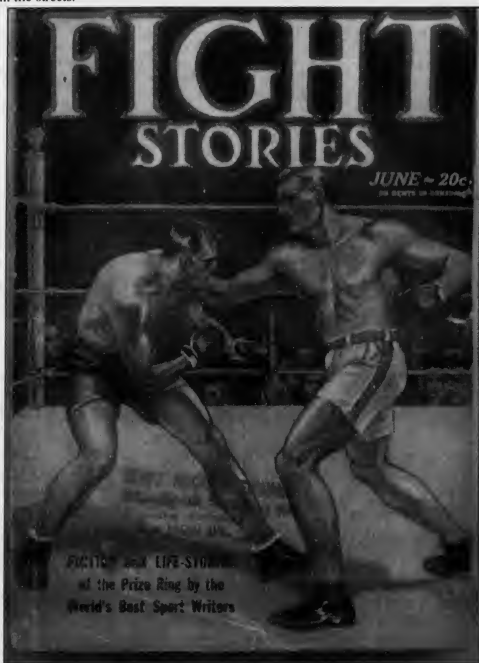
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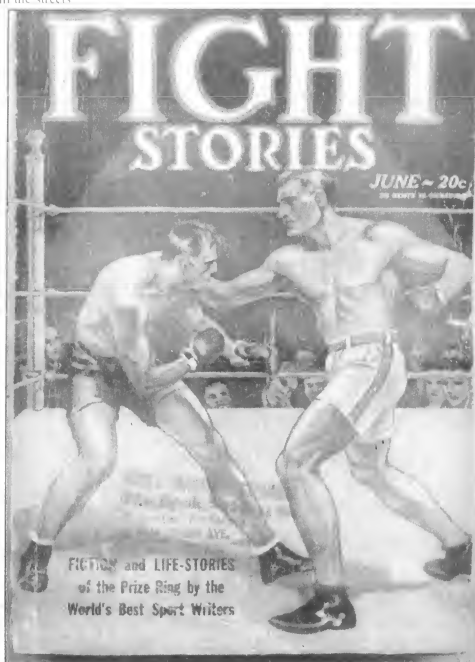
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The founder, senior Richard Rios, wishes to raise funds to help the victims of this growing problem.

Despite the weather conditions, Club Carnival went off without a hitch. With several new clubs and the returning ones, students have more than enough options to find their place in the busy academic community.

Visit the O.S.A.C.S. Web site on the UMW page to learn about all the clubs on campus.

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News

Slashes Affect Faculty

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classrooms, labs and network infrastructure, if needed.

Plans for implementing wireless networks in individual dorm rooms, which are expected to begin to take place next year, will not cut into this budget, according to German. The funding for that would come from the money that the students pay to live in the residence halls and would be in place of upgrading present Ethernet ports. The wireless networks in the dorms should also be cheaper than the present networks, because less infrastructure work is needed.

German stressed that much of the IT funding was cut to help push the University towards the goal of reaching a 15:1 faculty to student ratio.

"I'd rather have a teacher be able to get all their materials up on Blackboard so that I can access them with a 17 or 18-to-1 student ratio than have a few less students and not be able to get notes right away online," said sophomore Matt Potter.

The University gets its IT budget from various sources. IT uses their organization's ongoing budget to hold about \$100,000 per year for equipment, if possible. Half of their budget, over \$500,000, comes from the Higher Education Equipment Trust Fund, provided by the State Council for Higher Education. The final source of the funding is what the University budgets for IT.

The University's budget issues are common in the state. The University of Virginia, which usually receives about \$8.7 million from the Higher Education Equipment Trust Fund, is also in the process of deferring their replacements on technological equipment.

The fund reports that the overall amount of money given has substantially risen over recent years. May 2004 saw \$39.5 million given statewide to the various colleges.

In June 2005 and 2006, the number was just around \$55 million. In June 2007, the fund is so far allocating \$85.2 million statewide. None of this extra \$30 million, their report fails to mention, will be going to UMW.

"The \$30 million is a supplemental research component added to the original Trust Fund allocation by the Governor and General Assembly," said H. Russell Carmichael, the coordinator of the fund. "Only five or six schools—the major research institutions—will receive allotments from this allocation. UMW is not included," he said.

The State Council for Higher Education aims to provide enough money through the fund for computers to be on campus at a 7:1 student to computer ratio.

"Unless we have more adverse budget news, I am expecting that we will lift the freeze on normal replacement of the computing equipment assigned to individual employees in the spring semester," German said.

Correction

In last week's edition, the article "Minority Enrollment Increases Nominally" reported the freshman minority level as just over 11 percent. The actual level is 13.13 percent.

UMW Gets Guide Dog

By SARAH FLOYD
Staff Writer

On any given day it is not uncommon to see several dogs strolling through the Mary Washington campus. Both students and local Fredericksburg residents find campus the perfect place to walk and play with their dogs. This semester many may have noticed one dog that does not eagerly approach strangers on campus walk.

Dazzle, a purebred female German Shepherd is both beautiful and well behaved. If she is not as eager to greet students on campus, it is not because she is unfriendly, she is simply hard at work everyday at UMW, serving as a guide dog for senior Katrilla Martin.

Martin, who suffers from visual impairments, recently replaced the long white walking cane she once used with Dazzle. The two have been together for a little over a month and are working hard to build a strong sense of teamwork.

Martin expressed eagerness to dispel what she feels are common myths about guide dogs. She thinks that too many people think that the dog just leads a visually impaired person around, arguing that the dog and person must work together to get around safely.

"I would compare how Dazzle and I work to an air traffic controller/pilot situation," Martin said.

A psychology major and mother of a 9-year-old son, Robert, Martin needed any necessary guide dog training to come to her, in order to fit in with her busy lifestyle. This was a huge factor in her decision to contact a company called the Fidelco Guide Dog Foundation, a Connecticut-based organization, which she found through her own research on the Internet. Fidelco breeds and trains German Shepherds exclusively for use by the blind or visually impaired, and travels to different locations in order to aid clients in training.

Although a dog like Dazzle is worth thousands of dollars, Fidelco only asks for a small goodwill fee from their applicants. Martin said Doris Bufet from the Sunshine Foundation paid the fee on her behalf.

"Dazzle's upbringing and training so far is estimated at \$27,000, so the goodwill fee is minimal in comparison," Martin said.

A representative from Fidelco visited Fredericksburg for 15 days to help Martin train Dazzle. The training was intense and the hours required a deep commitment, as Dazzle was unaccustomed to the heat and humidity. This meant that they had to train very early in the morning and then later in the evening, every day.

The training helped instill a sense of teamwork between Martin and Dazzle. They learned to master various commands and actions such as making right and left hand turns and getting up and down curbs. The two trained vigorously on campus and throughout downtown Fredericksburg. They also completed escalator and subway training in Washington, D.C.

Dazzle has been helpful with things that Martin could not have handled with her walking cane alone. The dog can spot any obstacles which endanger Martin, giving her a signal to warn her. When this happens, Dazzle will slow her pace, which signals Martin to stop and assume "basic position," which consists of the two standing with Martin's feet aligned with Dazzle's front paws. Martin can then feel around with her arms for any obstructions.



Katrilla Martin, her son Robert and her guide dog Dazzle. Dazzle is the first guide dog to come to UMW.

As for any human obstructions, students and staff at UMW have been very respectful of Martin and Dazzle. Martin credits this mostly to the e-mail sent out by the Office Disability Services (ODS). The e-mail included the necessary etiquette to avoid interrupting a guide dog while they are working.

Stephanie Smith, Director of ODS, felt the e-mail was essential to educating the UMW community. Smith said that in the six years she has worked at UMW, this is the first guide dog on campus. While ODS does not have the capacity to provide guide dogs, Smith felt it important to offer any type of support that she could.

"It can be emotionally draining to have to

constantly explain to people that they can not pet this beautiful dog," Smith said.

Students reactions overall seem quite understanding.

"I know it's necessary to leave the dog alone because it is working," said senior Sarah Kerns. "We don't bother humans when they are working, it shouldn't be any different."

"I've seen Dazzle and she's adorable," said Megan Stephens, also a senior. "It is pretty tempting to pet her, but I know that it isn't appropriate."

Dazzle knows there is a distinct difference between work and play. When Dazzle's harness is on, she's working.

When she gets a chance Dazzle likes to visit "several faculty and staff in their office where she has an opportunity to take off the harness and take a 'buddy break,'" Martin said.

At home, when Dazzle's harness is off, she's a member of the family. She even greets Robert with a toy in her mouth when he comes home from school each day.

Since Dazzle is granted public access to places many other pets are not, her upkeep is top priority. Every morning Martin and Robert give her a head to tail inspection, searching for any abnormalities, including "eye discharge, patches in her coat, any lumps, bruising, or tearing over her entire body, punctures in her pads, and so forth," Martin said.

In small environments such as a classroom, Dazzle's hygiene is especially important. She needs to remain as undetectable as possible whether it is her scent, sound, or behavior, so as not to distract fellow students or professors. In class, Dazzle rests beside Martin, always knowing she may soon have to work.

"One of my friends told me they didn't even notice Dazzle was in class," said Martin.

Dazzle's presence is much more apparent outside of the classroom on campus. She has even picked her own favorite spots to hang out. The dog particularly enjoys the "concrete C" in front of Chandler Hall, the fountain in front of Monroe, and the outside tables at the Nest.

Martin reports no real tricky spots on campus for Dazzle, but does anticipate that black ice may be an issue in the winter.

So far Dazzle "does an excellent job at keeping me safe," Martin said.

The pair just had their one month evaluation and were right on schedule with their progress.

Martin is optimistic about the pair's teamwork, but recognizes that it will require constant effort.

Campus Remembers Mackensen

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a suggestion, you could bet he would be running back to the office to see if we could do it."

Mackensen was very interested in the opinions and attitudes of students.

"He loved going to the dorm meetings, hearing what everyone had to say," Koenig said. "He really wanted to get out there and talk to people."

Mackensen also loved to ride his motorcycle.

"His dad builds motorcycles, that's where Adam got it from," said Malone. "I remember telling him that I rode horses, and he said 'I like horses too. I ride 283 of them every time I ride my bike.'"

According to Malone, Mackensen built his own bike.

"He supped that thing up, made it go as fast as it could."

Originally from Pennsylvania, Mackensen, a Fredericksburg resident, was interested in going back to school, according to Malone.

"He wanted to do business, and I told him about [UMW's] program," Malone said. "He was always looking for that 'thing,' something to make him happy. I think it was probably family."

If memory of Mackensen, Sodexo has sponsored a \$10,000 scholarship in his name to be awarded to ten students per year.

The students will be chosen by the dining

services management for excellence in community service and athletic achievement.

According to Koenig, the scholarship was presented to Mackensen's parents a week after his death.

Mackensen's loss has been felt all across campus, and his picture hangs in the dome room of Seacobeck hall.

"Sometimes when I'm here working, I expect him to come up and say hi," Pastore said. "I haven't gotten used to him not being here."

"He had such energy, it was pretty amazing," said Malone. "I just realize now that he had to fit a whole lot of living into 25 years."

Internet Problems Plague MWC Campus

By JILLIAN CLARE
Staff Writer

Upon arriving on campus this semester, many residential students and some faculty found themselves without Internet, a problem which persisted for over a week. There was no information passed along to explain the problem, which was corrected by the second week of classes.

Due to network outages throughout campus during this period, the Technology Assistance Center is looking for ways to improve communication between students and faculty regarding technical problems.

Despite the Internet outages, Chip German, the vice president for Information Resources and chief information officer, said that it was the smoothest move-in period since he has been here.

"For folks who had difficulty connecting, I'm sure it was frustrating," German said. "But from an institutional perspective, the problems seem to

be declining year after year."

Several residence halls, most notably Alvey Hall and Russell Hall, had limited or no network connectivity for extended periods of time.

"It was utter chaos," said Melissa Hadley, a freshman Russell Hall resident. "I had quizzes that were due, and I had to wait until the last minute."

Compared to past years, however, the situation was better this year, according to German. Three years ago, virtually no one had Internet operation during move-in.

German said that many of the connectivity problems this year stemmed from poor avenues of communication between students and those equipped to assist with technology. There are several plans in place to help solve these problems.

Rose Hurley, the new director of User Services, said that she plans to implement a new phone system at extension # 2222. Students will be able to call this number to listen to a recording

giving up-to-the-minute information on the status of network connectivity problems.

"Whatever it takes to provide the best service we can, I'm all about that," Hurley said.

Another new program currently in place to assist with technical problems are the Resident Technology Assistants. The RTAs are upper-class students scattered throughout residence halls who provide help to other students living around them. There are currently seven RTAs on campus, and Hurley has plans to increase this number.

When she managed the Information Center at Longwood University, Hurley started the RTA program there and had what she called a "rigorous training program" for them. She hopes to institute a similar program here in years to come.

The RTAs are also present to help bridge the communication gap between faculty and students. For the most part, the faculty was simply not aware of some of the connectivity

problems during move-in, German said.

"The equipment told us that services were working fine, but later the students told us otherwise," German said.

Some classroom buildings, such as Combs Hall, did experience network difficulties as well.

In order to improve communication with students, Hurley said she also intends to attend a Student Government Association meeting to talk to student leaders about what can be done to bridge the gap.

"I'd like to become more visible," Hurley said. "I'd also like to find out, ideally, what students would like to see out of support."

Hurley also has tentative plans to write a technology survey for students, so that the Technology Assistance Center can measure what needs to be focused on.

"My intent is to enhance services in my area, all around," Hurley said. "For students, faculty, and everyone else."

Viewpoints

Sexclamations

Sex: The New Season



*By Elz England,
Wanton Sex Goddess,
and Dan Ceo,
Photography Editor*



Sex is like television. We all love watching those Seinfeld re-runs, they are dependable and always on.

But, sometimes we yearn for new episodes or even a whole new television show.

That does not mean Seinfeld is not doing the job, it just demonstrates the human need for variety.

If your sex life is primarily re-runs, we can help you change the channel. We have compiled a list of suggestions intended to help you spice up your sex life.

Costumes: Remember that hot nurse outfit you wore last Halloween? I am feeling a little under the weather and in serious need of a physical.

Guys, girls love a man in uniform.

Stripping: I will put on some music to set the mood, if you feel like tantalizingly taking that outfit off, I have no objections. You might need some liquid courage to help you strut around in your undies. But guys, while it may help you perform we do not want it to hinder your ultimate performance, so keep it to a minimum.

Watch Porn Together: This activity gives the "dinner and a movie" night a whole different spin. Make sure to pick a flick you both can enjoy (read: not Ron Jeremy).

Dirty Talk: A great excuse for using expletives and giving directions they have incentive to follow.

Do you speak another language? Let us hear it! Reap the benefits of that foreign language requirement.

Toys: Not just for kids. Hence the Rabbit™ is invited (and other brands of vibrators).

One of the first things you were taught in kindergarten was to share your toys; so open up the bedside dresser and learn to play well with others. Do not be afraid to think outside of the box.

Bondage: You do not need to break the bank trying to buy horse-whips or chains; furry handcuffs are usually less than ten

bucks. Trust us they need to be furry, unless you are into S&M.

But, if you are really cheap, handkerchiefs work well for tying and blindfolding—another sexy option.

Location, Location, Location: Follow in the footsteps of the Conquistadors; launch a sexploration, discover new territory. This is tricky on-campus, but once you have got your own place, you need to use the dryer for more than just laundry.

We know a couple who designed a map of locations they must complete before graduation.

Everyone loves a challenge.

Dessert?: Rummage through your fridge or pick up a few items at the store, such as whipped cream, chocolate syrup, or honey. If you want to go top of the line, Spencers has edible lube and kits with other delicious treats.

Caution: be sure to check the expiration date, this is not an opportunity to get rid of your left over Chinese food. Do not be afraid to get messy, clean up is half the fun.

Shower Together: Feeling dirty? Let's hit the shower. Although cleanliness is godliness, it is not the main objective in this situation.

Invite a Friend: Dan says "The more the merrier," but Elz says, "Three is company." It is a matter of personal preference and discussing it with your mate. Guys, good luck selling this one; girls, at least hear them out [before you laugh].

Spontaneity: Unexpected surprises are the sexiest, but a couple of the above may require prior notice. Do not invite a friend over without at least calling first.

As exotic as these suggestions are, at the end of the day there is really nothing wrong with the tried and true.

Hey, at least you are getting some.

Elz would like you to welcome the male perspective, Dan Ceo, to Sexclamations.

Tiers To You, Kid!

By Tierney Plumb, Associate Editor

I cut the ribbon on this *Bullet* section as a college senior veteran, wishing to expel all the knowledge I have learned—and still have yet to learn—about UMW parties, academics, boys, hook-ups and personal struggles.

As an underclassman, take it as advice. As an older and wiser "MWC" student, use it as a nostalgic way to reflect on your last year(s) here at mdubb.

This weekend three years ago, I was kicked out of a luau party on Dandridge Street, told by its bluffing upperclassman residents, "Cops are coming!"

My best friend Casey and I then trotted to the next rumored party of the night at "Far Laff," a popular guys' lacrosse house and location of such "memorable" parties as CEOs & Secretary Hoes that year.

Distance from campus? Two miles.

We made it uphill Blue and Gray Parkway, leis flapping in the wind, when the sounds of blue flashing sirens abruptly ended our midnight stroll.

The cop took one look at our Hawaiian get-up and Sharpie Xs on our hands and deduced we were slightly intoxicated (and slightly stupid) freshmen. After lecturing on the obvious dangers of two girls on a highway, she drove us home.

Sitting in the backseat of a cop car makes one think, "I would rather see a money meter on that

dashboard instead of a police scanner."

Cue to the wonderful world of cabs. They will happily pick up you and your friends anywhere—from Chandler parking lot to GW circle (post-construction).

They even offer comic relief, as my favorite cab driver Bobby sports a fisherman hat and listens intently to our nightly escapades.

Downtown's new cab service, the Rappahannock Rickshaw (see page 6), offers rides till 2 a.m. from the downtown area up to Sunken Road—aka, a mere walk to Russell Hall.

Or make friends with the older crowd. I lucked out and my cousin was the captain of the rugby team when I was a freshman. Hence, his friends did not mind picking up six freshman girls looking to escape Virginia Hall on a Friday night.

Yes, distances to some legit parties exceed a mile. But think about entrances. Do you really want to roll up looking like a half drowned rat (it is still hurricane season) or trek it three miles and try to charm the ladies with sweat on your upper lip?

So by this weekend, make some connections, find closer gatherings, and I had better not see any of you on foot to Idlewild.

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Immigrants Deserve Equal Rights

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of his family at least once a year.

So each year when he would disappear for those couple of days, he was risking his life to "illegally" cross into the U.S., while my mom, siblings and I would wait in a nicely furnished Holiday Inn, eating breakfast at Denny's or McDonald's and anxiously waiting to see if my dad had finally crossed.

I am happy to say that my dad received his permanent residency (same rights as a citizen, minus voting rights) when I was in fifth grade.

Now when I hear of marches going on in favor of immigrant rights, I make sure I am there. To me, waiting in that hotel room, not knowing if my dad was going to be safe, was something that has formed me into who I am today.

Something does not seem right about people dictating who can and cannot come into a country - for those who come into the country to give their families a better future, which encompasses the vast majority of migrants.

People here keep complaining that all those "illegal aliens" are coming into the U.S. "to steal our jobs."

To me this idea is hilarious; these people actually think that these "illegal aliens" want to come to the U.S., leave their families, their culture, their whole world, risk their lives and come into the US to work low-wage jobs that pay them just enough to scrape by, with the leftovers going back home to support those they left behind.

What also strikes me as funny is that those same people who complain about the "illegal aliens" are the same ones that complain when gas prices go over \$2.50.

Yet, who do these people think is going to fill low-wage jobs? Oh, yeah, because I'm sure any given UMW student is planning on graduating with a bachelor's degree and then working as a

dishwasher for \$7.50 per hour, 40 hours per week.

And it is not that immigrants can only do these types of work. Working part-time as a waitress, I met people who worked in the bank

who had a bachelor's degree from an accredited university, but once they came into the U.S. illegally they had to put their diplomas away and be happy with their minimum wage job.

Only in the U.S. could you find a dishwasher with a bachelor's degree in economics and a prep cook who was a high school teacher.

At the same time I also marvel at people who state that immigrants use services for which they do not pay taxes for.

Funny, though, if you go ask any undocumented immigrant they can show you their check stub, and oh wait, look, they take

out taxes from their wages, too! So once these people work in the U.S. and make enough money to return home, they never claim Social Security benefits.

Look it up. There are billions of dollars in unclaimed Social Security funds that are mostly attributed to undocumented immigrants.

I think that considering the Social Security crisis, people in the U.S. should be thankful that immigrants are here.

And yet, there are lawmakers here who want to send them all back to Mexico. (Because apparently, all immigrants are from Mexico. Guatemalan dude, yup, Mexico. Chinese lady, yeah, just send her to Juarez.)

This will pacify Americans who believe that once all immigrants are forced to leave, there will be jobs to throw around. Yet they do not stop to think that businesses do not care if the average single mom in the U.S. can hold a job. All they care about is their profits.

So once all the low-wage workers are thrown out of the U.S., do people really think they will stay here and pay a fair-wage? Nope, as soon as immigrants leave, they are relocating to the Philippines, El Salvador or any other developing country where they can get away with paying a low wage.

Maybe one day, letting people make a decent life for their families will stop being a crime.

Maria Garcia is a senior

“ To me, waiting in that hotel room, not knowing if my dad was going to be safe, was something that has formed me into who I am today. ”

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For the fifteenth time, the Departments of History/American Studies and Political Science/International Affairs are sponsoring a six-credit course that will take students to Europe for twenty-six days during the first term of summer school in 2007. Students can experience the Europe of yesterday, today, and tomorrow by visiting **London, Paris, Vienna, Venice and Rome**. The six credits for the course can be used as part of the major programs in History, Political Science, or International Affairs or as elective credit for students not in those majors.

THE TRIP - Leaving from Dulles International Airport in Washington on May 15, the group will fly to London for a five-day stay, and then travel to the continent to spend five days in Paris, three days in Vienna, three days in Venice, and five days in Rome. There will be four days for travel between London and Paris (by train via the Channel under the English Channel), Paris and Vienna (by train through Munich and the Alps), Vienna and Venice (by bus through the Alps) and Venice and Rome (also by bus). The group will return to Washington from Stockholm on June 9.

THE COURSE - This is a unique course for University of Mary Washington students. It does not duplicate what is already offered on the Fredericksburg campus but relies instead on material and experiences "on site." Interdisciplinary in nature and team-taught, this course, by taking advantage of the unique cultural and academic resources that exist in the five capital cities, provides students with unmatched opportunities for study and learning. Students will be asked to read from texts that contain materials pertinent to the intellectual, cultural, economic, and political contributions the five capital cities have made to European history. Students will also have the opportunity to attend an artistic performance in several of the cities and assess the artistic contributions of the societies with visits to major museums.

THE FACULTY - An interdisciplinary faculty teach the course. Professor Porter Blakemore from History and Professor John Kramer from Political Science and International Affairs will accompany the students from city to city.

ELIGIBILITY - "European Capitals" is open to all University of Mary Washington students, no matter their major, who are interested in the history, culture and politics of Europe. Yet, there are a limited number of places available for this course and spots will be filled on a first-come-first-served basis.

COSTS - Excluding the tuition for a six-credit course, the cost per student will be \$4,800. This fee includes all costs for airfare, lodging and breakfasts, one-day excursions, and most costs for intra city transportation and admission to museums and cultural sites.

QUESTIONS? - For further details, attend the Study Abroad Fair September 29 in the Great Hall or our information meeting at 5:00 p.m. in Monroe 202 on Wednesday, September 27. If you are interested or have questions, please contact Mr. Blakemore or Mr. Kramer (at extensions 1588 or 1495 respectively). The deadline for participation is October 4.

Eagles Fall To Seahawks

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The Eagles had a couple of corners, taken mostly by junior Kiri Jimerson. One opportunity nearly materialized as freshman Sarah Trimble's shot was turned away thanks to a diving save by the York goalie.

Much of the half saw the possession going back and forth as both teams had corner chances. The ball seemed to be stuck in the midfield for most of the second half. Both teams were unable to capitalize on the opportunities they did have. Mary Washington was knocking on the door in the final few minutes.

With about two minutes remaining freshman Chelsea Brown laced a shot, the crowd rising to its feet and gasping as the ball sailed past the keeper but went just wide of the net.

After a regulation of period of missed opportunities and close calls, the whistle sounded to take the game into overtime.

Head coach Dana Hall attributed the lack of scoring to "two-on-ones that were unfinished."

According to senior Jena Elliott, the Eagles had trouble near the goal.

"We had a hard time marking up the post," she said.

It was Elliott and her speed that would ultimately make the difference in the game. In overtime wide open play marked the opening minutes of the seven on seven play. As a result, Elliott was able to pick up a ball on a broken play near midfield and was off to the races. She used her speed to outrun the York defenders chasing her from behind.

UMW had a two-to-one advantage over the Spartan's goalie as Weckstein came charging down the right side of the field.

The York goalie seemed unsure as to whether Elliott would pass or shoot, and when she seemed to edge to the right toward Weckstein, Elliott ripped the ball into the bottom left corner to send the players and crowd into a frenzy.

According to Elliott, there was no real plan as she headed for the goal.

"I don't really know why I shot instead of passing," she said. "It was really just instinct."

Whatever prompted Elliott, her goal put the Eagles on the board for the first time and secured the win.

UMW's victory marked their second consecutive win in conference play this season.

However, UMW could not make it three in a row as they fell to St. Mary's College of Maryland Tuesday, 1-0.

The Eagles and Seahawks entered the second half scoreless. It was Seahawk Amy Skrickus that earned the win for St. Mary's, scoring 14 minutes into the second half.

Tuesday's loss put the Eagles at 2-2 overall, with a 2-1 record in CAC play.

Despite many errors on both teams, Hall was pleased that her team finished strong.

"Hockey is a game of mistakes, it's what you do after them that counts," she said.

**Next Game: Washington College
Friday, 4:30 p.m.**



Daniel Coo/Bullet

Junior Meredith Marconi attempts to strip the ball from a Spartan opponent. The Eagles, who are 2-2 overall, will face Washington College Friday.

Life After Upperclassmen Cuts

By JESSICA SIMON
Staff Writer

Early in the spring 2006 semester, my fourteen-year softball career came to a painful end.

Fourteen years of training, practices, pitching lessons, batting lessons and bonding with some of my best friends over the years were now just memories. The thousands of dollars and thousands of hours that were put into the sport no longer mattered.

But the end of my life as a softball player did not end with a line drive to the face, a torn ACL or anything like that. My career ended through an e-mail.

After playing for UMW for two years I received an e-mail from my former coach telling me that I was not chosen as a member of the team for the 2006 season.

I couldn't stop crying over the loss of something that I had identified myself with for years. So many people knew me as "Jessy the softball pitcher." Who was I now?

But I definitely am not the only athlete who has had a difficult time dealing with my sports career ending in college. According to past team rosters from the 2002-2003 school year, the UMW varsity sports teams were represented by over 150 freshmen. Last year only approximately 65 student athletes represented the senior class.

At Mary Washington it seems that along with athletes deciding to end their career, many are cut from the team in favor of young or new players.

"Division three schools tend to over recruit more than division one schools do," said UMW men's basketball coach Rod Wood. "As coaches we are responsible to go out and get the best players and the players must do the best that they can not to be replaced."

According to a study conducted by writers Blinde and Stratta in a 1992 edition of the Journal of Sport Behavior, athletes who were cut from a team attempted to deny that their sport career was actually over. They also tended to isolate themselves from others, most likely because their closest friends were athletes. Shock, denial, and anger toward those

responsible also were listed as common responses.

I did not really experience shock or denial when I was cut, but I certainly was angry. But UMW senior Pete Collins said that he experienced each of these feelings when he was cut from the men's lacrosse team his sophomore year after playing his freshman year.

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"After freshman year most of my closest friends were from the lacrosse team and I felt kind of disconnected with them after I was cut," Collins said. "I was pissed because I didn't think that I should have gotten cut."

Former NFL and NCAA athlete Adrian McBride created a program at the University of Missouri called Life After Sports to help college athletes deal with the reality of their lost sports career.

The program focuses on preparing former athletes for their future and for their career path, but also helps athletes deal with the loss of their sport.

"I would encourage any former athlete to jump into their career and academics," McBride said. "Many student athletes aren't able to attend workshops or get internships. They often wind up with degrees, but with no experience."

In an article posted on the Life After Sports Web site, Christina M. Patterson of the University of Missouri stated that athletes typically have such a tough time transitioning away from their sports because it is something that they have identified with for so long.

McBride agreed. "Many athletes have an identity crisis after their career is over," he said. "They feel that they



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Adrian McBride

are known as 'so and so, the athlete' and nothing else."

McBride also stated that many athletes experience depression, drug and alcohol abuse or go "workout crazy" after his or her athletic career ends.

According to a survey by The Hartford Financial Services Group in 2005, only 1 percent of college athletes will go on to play sports at a professional level. The most recent Hartford survey was conducted among 5,585 student-athletes in all NCAA divisions by Impulse Research Corporation.

Beyond that, most sports careers end for athletes during or immediately after college.

Debra Steckler, an UMW sports psychology

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— Senior Pete Collins

professor, said that she feels that an athlete's reaction to being cut would depend on the person. She felt that less mature athletes might take it personal, while others might see being cut as a learning experience and might give them an opportunity to improve.

Collins chose to take being cut as a learning experience and tried out for lacrosse again last year and made the team.

Other CAC schools do not seem to have a similar problem with replacing upperclassmen.

Bill Finney, athletic director and women's basketball coach of Maryland University, has been coaching for twenty-three years and does not recall ever cutting a non-freshman who played for him as a freshman.

Finney said he did not feel that Maryland had any problem with upper-classmen loyalty.

"I show loyalty to upperclassmen by not recruiting players to take their place," he said. "But I expect loyalty to work both ways. I have protected players by not recruiting for their position and then they have decided not to play."

Dana Hall, UMW field hockey and women's lacrosse coach, did not cut any upperclassmen last year, but has done so in the past.

"Most upperclassmen cut themselves," she said. "They find out that they are not starting and can't handle it."

UMW alumnus Zach Kalder put off surgery for a stress fracture in his spine in order to train for his final season of soccer, but was extremely disappointed when he was cut from the team his senior year.

"The team that year had three seniors, maybe one or two juniors, and 20 plus freshmen and sophomores," Kalder said. "In my opinion, the team lacked experience and leadership from upperclassmen, which you really should have to be successful."

UMW sports information director Clint Offen had no statistics on how many UMW athletes, upperclassmen or underclassmen had been cut this year or any year.

It still hurts to think that I don't play on a softball team anymore. I try to alleviate this pain by keeping myself busy with things that have suffered in the past due to being an athlete.

For instance, the hours between 3 p.m. and 6 p.m., which used to belong to softball, now belong only to me. I can also go out any night that I want and go away any weekend that I want.

But still, there are certain days when I am outside and the weather is perfect for seven innings in the sun that make me crave grabbing my glove and heading to the field.

It's moments like this that I think back to how much I lost the minute that I opened that e-mail.

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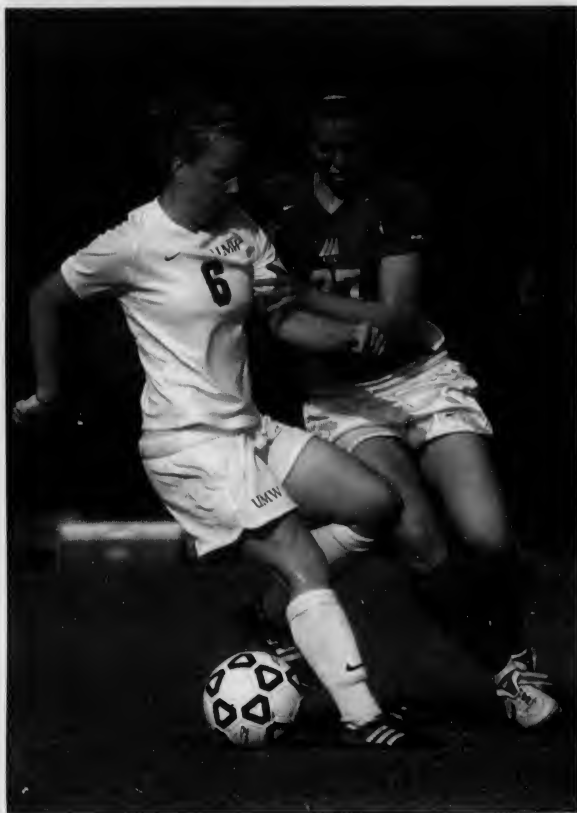
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Sports



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Sophomore Katie Patchett battles a CNU defender for possession of the ball during Sunday's loss. The Eagles have yet to win a game this season.

Eagles Drop Third Straight

By STEPHANIE POTTER
Assistant Sports Editor

For the nine freshmen on the University of Mary Washington women's soccer team, the transition into collegiate soccer has not been an easy one.

The young Eagles squad lost to VA Wesleyan College and Christopher Newport University last weekend in the UMW Classic, 2-0 and 3-0 respectively, their first win of the season still not under their belts.

With a relatively young roster, the Eagles are learning their weaknesses early this season, just in time to step it up for optimal conference play. Head coach Kurt Glaeser expects a quick recovery for his team.

"We're young," he said. "We have 20 freshmen and sophomores on a roster of 25, so they're not all playing with composure. I don't think it has much to do with our athletic ability or our technical ability. I think we have enough of that to be successful against teams like this but there's a lot we have to learn."

On Saturday, the Eagles' defense fought to keep the Marliners at bay, blocking eight shots on goal in the first half alone before pulling into the second half with a blank scoreboard.

In the 53rd minute, VA Wesleyan freshman Jen Colwell broke the ice with her first goal of the game. Two minutes later, she secured the win for her team off an assist from senior Kelly Donnelly.

The Eagles defense then pushed the Marliners back, blocking seven more shots before the final horn.

Glaeser acknowledged the importance of playing higher ranked opponents early on.

"We always play tough teams to begin with," he said. "We rarely start off fast because they rarely come back in shape. We always play a

tough schedule so that we learn from the good teams. Hopefully we'll be in a national tournament because we played good teams instead of beating up on weak teams."

On Sunday, the Eagles' offense kicked into high gear with an intense attack on the Captains goal before losing control of the ball just seven minutes into the game.

Newport's first goal proved to be a defensive catalyst for both sides, upping the ante for further progression. An insurance goal by Kelly Doherty in the 45th minute put the Captains ahead 2-0.

The Eagles' entered the second half with an offensive drive, pushing harder and aiming to even the score. Their efforts were thwarted in the 51st minute when sophomore Emily Renkin secured the Captain's win on an assist from Hillary Carney.

The Eagles were outshot 9-5 in the game, with a final score of 3-0.

Glaeser knows where the Eagle women have room for improvement.

"We're not finding the energy around midfield to transition from offense to defense," he said. "I just don't think we have the fitness level or maybe the will to play both offense and defense - to play on both sides of the ball. We're asking our defenders to do way too much work and they're all going to be maimed by midseason if we continue to play this way. Hopefully we'll come together."

Sophomore forward Katie Patchett notes communication as the team's main obstacle.

"We need to talk to each other on the field more," she said. "We have a lot of potential. We're playing very well, we just need to play together a little more. It'll come."

**Next Game: Bridgewater College
Wednesday, 3 p.m.**

Field Hockey Claws Past York

Eagles Secure 1-0 Win In Overtime Before Losing To St. Mary's College Tuesday

By JEREMY JORDAN
Staff Writer

The University of Mary Washington field hockey team rewarded fans for sticking around despite a scoreless game: a thrilling victory in overtime against York College of Pennsylvania.

UMW opened with the first shot of the game, but the in the ensuing five to 10 minutes it was York applying the pressure. The Eagles were able to withstand the attack thanks to saves from senior goalie Katherine Brown.

Brown also got some help from her defense, including junior Maureen McGee who saved two potential goals while remaining unfazed.

"I try not to think in a chaotic situation such as saving a goal, because when you start to think you start to second guess yourself so you need to stay calm and collected," McGee said. "I guess like in a state of nirvana."

Over the next ten minutes however, McGee and company got a break as UMW took control with possession deep in their offensive end of the field. Sophomore Alison Weckstein made several long runs deep into the York defense.

Junior Meredith Marconi also had several opportunities to score but York goalie Claire Rekitzke played a strong game in the net to keep the Eagles off the board. Rekitzke made eight saves in all.

Marconi and Weckstein played off one another up front, a crisp pass from Marconi to Weckstein nearly resulting in the first goal of the game just before the half.

The second half saw UMW looking to get on the board early as sophomore forward Mandy Thompson made several effective runs down the right wing.

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Senior Jena Elliott shoots around York's sprawled out goalie to win the game for the Eagles in overtime. Despite many opportunities, at the end of regulation neither UMW nor York had scored. UMW's win over York was followed by a 1-0 loss to St. Mary's College of Maryland.

Upcoming Events

Sept. 15 - Field Hockey

vs. Washington, 4:30 p.m.

Sept. 16 - Men's soccer vs. Greensboro, 2 p.m.

Sept. 18 - Women's soccer vs. Gallaudet, 4 p.m.

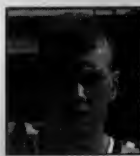
Sept. 20 - Volleyball vs. Gallaudet, 7 p.m.



Team of the Week

Men's cross country captured a 1st place finish at the Lebanon Valley College

Invitational Saturday. Senior Justin Kirk came in 2nd overall at 27:22.



Courtesy Clint Offen
Justin Kirk